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Date:

To: FAST Team Leader

From: Chair, Great Basin Coordinating Group

Subject: Delegation of Authority of FAST

The Great Basin Multi-Agency Coordination Group (GB MAC Group) hereby charters and delegates the following authority to the Great Basin Fire, Aviation & Safety Team effective / 2015.

The FAST will consist of the following positions:

Team Leader:

Name:

Safety and Health Manager:

Name:

Aviation Specialist:

Name:

Fire Ground Operations Specialist:

Name:

The Team is to conduct an independent assessment and evaluation of operational and managerial activities on incidents throughout the Great Basin. These assessments may also include support organizations, dispatch centers and Coordination Center if necessary.

The team should specifically review the following elements:

- a. Fatigue management and compliance with national guidance on work/rest.
- b. Effectiveness of incident support, readiness, dispatch, communications, and Coordination Center support.
- c. Incident Management Team staffing and specific safety mitigations.
- d. Smoothness and effectiveness of IMT transitions, especially from extended attack or Type 3 IMT's to Type 1 or Type 2 IMT's.

- e. Safety issues arising from the use, or lack thereof, of contracted or local resources such as volunteer fire departments.
- f. Recognition by managers and incident staff of the unusual fire conditions faced throughout the geographic area and any positive or negative safety implications of response actions for initial attack, extended attack, and aviation operations.
- g. Any issues the IMT, local unit line officer or FMO ask the team to address.
- 3. As a priority, the FAST is to visit Type 3 incidents and other incidents as determined appropriate, but only after communication with the appropriate agency representative on the MAC group.
- 4. The Agency MAC representative will notify the fire host unit of the pending visit by the FAST. The MAC Group may also notify the IC via the IC conference call of a pending visit.

The FAST will make positive contact with the IC and host unit upon arrival at the incident and closeout with the IC and host unit before departure, leaving a draft copy of the review/report.

- 5. The FAST will contact the GB MAC Group Coordinator at least once per day providing an update on findings, issues, and proposed activities for the next day.
- 6. The FAST will provide a final written report to the GB MAC Group Coordinator upon completion of the review.

Signed:

Chair, GBCG